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## THE LIQUOR DEALERS

### MR. RANKIN DIVIDES THEM INTO THREE CLASSES.

They Are the Jointist, the Druggist and the Licensed Rum Seller —The Lecture To-Night.

A small audience assembled at the First Christian church last night to hear Mr. Rankin's lecture on saloon keepers.

The speaker divided the liquor dealers into three well known classes, the joint-

ists, the drug sellers, and the licensed rum sellers. Mr. Rankin seemed to be for the second government in liquor for the purposes, reference to the market man, and the danger of the drug seller. When he ignored his own is not worth the jointist and lecturer said. I do not approve of a remedy for the problem that has not suggest have similarly treated. He spoke of class, and as for business of liquor we not entitle public support, their business public business responsibility. men whose misdeeds have a claim upon them have been disre-

"The man who turns his back upon the innocent and helpless," said Mr. Rankin, "is a dangerous man. He should be driven out of society as Christ drove the thieves out of the temple. God has fighting as well as praying for temperance people to do."

The speaker closed with a forward glance to the time when Kansas, and every other state in this Union will be freed from the curse and blight of the liquor business. He said that when the efforts of those who hate the saloon and its fruits are united, the wave of public sentiment will sweep everything before it, and America will have national prohibition.

Mr. Rankin holds his audience with the power of a practiced orator. He uses humor and pathos in a forcible and artistic manner, and speaks with an earnestness that carries conviction to his hearers. Mr. Rankin speaks this evening on the

registering places in the Second ward. These offices will be open on March 22 and 23.

Albert Benson and F. M. Newland have been appointed deputies.

The registration books will close at 9 o'clock Friday evening, March 23.

G. A. N.

## LUMBER RATES.

### Association of Kansas Dealers Ask for Readjustment.

The legislative committee of the Kansas Lumber Dealers' association, composed of H. C. Taylor of Lyons, E. R. Burkholder of Hillsboro, and J. N. Cunningham of Emporia, has addressed a letter to J. Pier-



and Oklahoma has decreased to less than 15 per cent of the whole, and another year's time will see it less than 5 per cent. Cypress and Washington spruce are rapidly taking the place of the remaining demand that yellow pine had not already absorbed. The decreased production of white pine has so advanced the price of that product that actual competition between the two products has receded from the Missouri river, where the yellow pine product met it fifteen years ago, to a distance 700 to 1,000 miles farther east."

## GRAIN DEALERS MEET.

### Kansas Association in Annual Session at Representative Hall.

The third annual meeting of the Kansas Grain Dealers' association is in progress in Topeka, with 175 delegates in attendance. The meeting began yesterday

## BURNING HIS BRAIN

### DR. STRUBLE TELLS OF EVIL OF CIGARETTES.

Tells What Cigarettes Are Made of and Says Use Produces Insanity.

The lecture "Burning His Brains," given last night by Dr. Struble, of Chicago, at the First Methodist church was chief in the series of meetings in this city in the interest of the

betterment of the race. Dr. Struble has acquired a wide audience with no less success. His children were the excellence of delivery gave magnitude of the aroused unusual interest. He believes in the rule that his public character and thought. That this has always made about his endroch are never wielded a this same little wrapped and rable appearance appreciate the me from the f this habit—s t its greatest e practice it. Not t simply affect other forms of the other form

in a great measure free from exterior contamination, but that the ingredients of the cigarette are not "pure" tobacco is that which has been smoked. That which is befoiled germs and nastiness from the mouth of infected men. The cigarette habit, said, if its use grows more extensive bring about insanity and degeneration among those who practice it. It will pagate and cause to flourish the germ disease and death; weaken and demoralize, and will reduce its victims to the level of the grandest work of to the level of meaner beings.

Prof. Davidson, who presided, made a short address. Edward Wilder briefly addressed the meeting. G. E.

## BOYS ORGANIZE A LEAGUE

They Pledge Themselves to Ab-

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## THE COVER

A scene from the lantern slide photoplay adaptation of the Rev. Mr. Charles M. Sheldon's famous novel, *In His Steps*. Here, the managing editor of the *Raymond Daily News* confronts the owner-editor (left) with a warning that the paper is headed for bankruptcy if he continues to publish it as a Christian daily. The background printing is a portion of p. 4 of Sheldon's actual Christian daily edition of the *Topeka Daily Capital* of March 15, 1900, an experiment that was inspired by the fictional *Raymond Daily News*. Several authorities believe that the 150-slide series illustrating *In His Steps*, made in 1900, and owned by John W. Ripley, author of the feature article beginning on p. 1, represents the first photoplay adaptation of a best seller.